

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listing of the claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-31. (previously cancelled)

35-52. (cancelled)

53. (new) A seed-support medium comprising:

- a) at least one seed in contact with
- b) a hydrophilic cellular substrate contained within
- c) a rigid, modular receptacle adapted to fit in an aperture of an aeroponic or hydroponic garden, said receptacle comprising:

- 1. an upper receptacle portion; and

- 2. a lower receptacle portion;

wherein said lower receptacle portion is adapted to fit in said aperture; and

wherein said upper receptacle portion comprises a lip adapted to support said receptacle in said aperture to said lip;

wherein said medium is storable without germination of said seed.

54 (new) The medium of claim 1 further comprising a substrate in contact with said seed to form a seed-bearing substrate and said seed-bearing substrate is in contact with said hydrophilic cellular substrate.

55. (new) The medium of claim 54 wherein the seed-bearing substrate is a hydrophilic fiber.

56. (new) The medium of claim 54 wherein the seed-bearing substrate is plant starch.

57. (new) The medium of claim 54 wherein the seed-bearing substrate is an adhesive.

58. (new) The medium of claim 54 wherein the seed-bearing substrate further comprises adjuvants.

59. (new) The medium of claim 1 wherein the hydrophilic cellular substrate is a synthetic polymer.
60. (new) The medium of claim 1 where the hydrophilic cellular substrate is sponge.
61. (new) The medium of claim 1 also comprising a seal upon said receptacle.
62. (new) The medium of claim 61 wherein the seal is selected from the group consisting of opaque, transparent, and translucent.
63. (new) The medium of claim 61 wherein said seal regulates moisture during germination of said seed.
64. (new) The medium of claim 1 wherein said hydrophilic cellular substrate is dry.
65. (new) The medium of claim 1 wherein said medium is storable without germination of said seed until a desired time when aqueous solution is applied.
66. (new) The medium of claim 1 wherein said receptacle is hydrophilic.
67. (new) The medium of claim 1 wherein said hydrophilic cellular substrate comprises a horticultural foam.
68. (new) The medium of claim 1 wherein said receptacle is porous to aqueous solution and to a root growing from a plant germinated from said seed.
69. (new) The medium of claim 1 wherein said hydrophilic cellular substrate comprises urethane pre-polymer reacted with one or more materials selected from the group consisting of: peat, bark and mixtures of peat and bark.
70. (new) The medium of claim 1 that is adapted for transporting, supporting, and germinating said seed and for holding a plant germinated from said seed in an aeroponic or hydroponic garden throughout the life of said plant.

71. (new) The medium of claim 1 that is adapted for removal of said medium and a plant germinated from said seed from an aeroponic or hydroponic garden for transplanting.
72. (new) A seed-support medium comprising:
- a) at least one seed in contact with
 - b) a dry hydrophilic cellular substrate contained within
 - c) a porous, cup-shaped, rigid modular receptacle adapted to fit in an aperture of an aeroponic or hydroponic garden, said receptacle comprising:
 - 1. an upper receptacle portion; and
 - 2. a lower receptacle portion;wherein said lower receptacle portion is adapted to fit in said aperture; and wherein said upper receptacle portion comprises a lip adapted to support said receptacle in said aperture to said lip; wherein said receptacle is porous to aqueous solution and to a root growing from a plant germinated from said seed; and
 - d) a seal upon said receptacle;
- wherein said medium is storable without germination of said seed until a desired time when aqueous solution is applied;
- wherein said medium is adapted for transporting, supporting, and germinating said seed and for holding a plant germinated from said seed in said aeroponic or hydroponic garden throughout the life of said plant; and
- wherein said medium is adapted for removal of said medium and a plant germinated from said seed from said aeroponic or hydroponic garden for transplanting.